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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Air Support Branch, IPD-DD/P  
SUBJECT : Flyable Storage of B-26 Aircraft at [ ]

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I discussed the subject above with Mr. Bissell on 11 May, more or less to get his reaction in principle to it. I explained that we would like to put our eight aircraft in flyable storage so that we could reduce the personnel load on [ ] and thus avoid tying down almost his entire Detachment. Mr. Bissell said he was sympathetic to this problem and indicated that before he took any position on it, he wanted to see a written proposal which would outline among other things possible extra costs connected with the aircraft, time to return to combat readiness, etc. As we discussed, will you please pull these facts together at your earliest convenience and let me have a paper to DD/P on this subject.

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